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1. In pursuance of Communist authorities' directions to investigate possibilities of moving factories to other localities, the Northeast Inspection Group* left Shanghai 25 October 1949. The group consisted of about ten members, headed by HU Chueh-wen (胡厥文),** member of the standing committee of the Democratic National Reconstruction Commission in North Kiangsu Province and a member of the Military and Political Commission of the East China District. After about a month's investigation, the group returned to Shanghai in late November and reported to the local authorities.
2. The report of the investigation included the following points:
 - a. The USSR has supplied to the Chinese Communists about two hundred manufacturing machines of various kinds for distribution among factories in the northeast. Additional machines will continue to come from the USSR as the factories require them.
 - b. Every Communist factory in the northeast has Soviet technical advisers and factory managers.
3. Communist authorities in the northeast urged Shanghai factories to establish branches in their territories. To encourage the move, northeast authorities promised to supply the necessary transportation facilities. The northeast area is particularly eager to obtain cloth and daily necessities.

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- * [REDACTED] Comment: The appointment of the Northeast Inspection Group and its mission were reported in [REDACTED] B-25X1A
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- ** [REDACTED] Comment: HU Chueh-wen has been head of the Democratic Reconstruction Association since its formation in 1946 and is a well-known Shanghai leftist industrial leader.

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